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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. POLISH JOURNALISTS' PROGRAM AT NATO. WE ARE PUZZLED THAT THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR IN WARSAW WOULD GET INVOLVED AT THIS LATE DATE. NATO 05763 SUGGESTS THE FRENCH WERE ON BOARD--AT THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE LEVEL AT LEAST. BUT WE ASSUME THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR IN WARSAW WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH HIS GOVERNMENT BEFORE DISCUSSING IT, SO PERHAPS THERE HAS BEEN A CHANGE OF MIND AT THE QUAI.

2. IN ANY CASE, WE HAVE CONFERRED WITH USICA WHICH SHARES OUR PUZZLEMENT. USICA ALSO SHARES OUR VIEW THAT ACTION SHOULD BE IN PARIS AND AT USNATO, UNLESS YOU FEEL THE DEPARTMENT SHOULD WEIGH IN TO INFLUENCE THE FRENCH. IF YOU AGREE, YOU MAY WANT TO SHIFT ACTION ON YOUR 5036 TO EMBASSY PARIS AND USNATO. IF NOT, ADVISE US BY
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IMMEDIATE O-I AND WE WILL COORDINATE A REPLY WITH RPM AND THE FRENCH DESK. IT IS LATE IN DAY, AND LATTER IS NOT ANSWERING PHONE.

3. RYSZARD FRELEK. WE UNDERSTAND FROM A RECENT FBIS REPORT THAT FRELEK HAS BEEN REPLACED BY WACLAW PIATKOWSKI AS CHIEF OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOREIGN DEPARTMENT. WE

ASSUME FRELEK WILL CONTINUE TO LOOK AFTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS
AS A CENTRAL COMMITTEE SECRETARY. THE INTELLIGENCE
COMMUNITY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION YOU GET
ABOUT THIS CHANGE.

4. DAVID CALLED TO ASK YOUR FLIGHT AND ARRIVAL DATA.
IF YOU LET US KNOW, WE WILL PASS IT ON TO HIM. CHRISTOPHER

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